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REMARKS

The last Office Action of April 5, 2005 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration of the instant application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 8-22 and 24 are pending in the application. No claims have been amended. Claims 1, 11-22 and 24 have been canceled. No claims have been added. No amendment to the specification has been made. No fee is due.

It is noted that claim 24 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claim 24 has now been canceled.

It is noted with appreciation that claims 3, 4, 6 and 8-10 are indicated allowable.

Claims 1, 11-22 and 24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the provided translation of DE 201 19 021 in view of U.S. Pat. No. 4,415,367 to Nelson. Claims 1, 11-22 and 24 have now been canceled.

In view of the above presented remarks and amendments, it is respectfully submitted that all claims now on file should be considered patentably differentiated over the art and should be allowed.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

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Should the Examiner consider necessary or desirable any formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawing, then it is respectfully requested that such changes be made by Examiner's Amendment, if the Examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the case to issuance. If the Examiner feels that it might be helpful in advancing this case by calling the undersigned, applicant would greatly appreciate such a telephone interview.

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